

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

OFFICIAL WARNING  
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS



CASE NUMBER:  
TX150203

VIOLATOR:  
Melva Langford  
License # 74-A-1230  
Customer # 6873

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about May 28, 2015 and May 11, 2015, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

**2.40(b)(2) Attending Veterinarian and Adequate Veterinary Care....**establish and maintain programs of veterinarian care that use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries.  
(DIRECT)

You failed to provide adequate veterinary care to the following animals:

- A Maltese appeared to have an infection in their ear.
- A Yorkie appeared to have an irritated right eye.
- A Lhasa had an extremely cloudy right cornea an severe discharge around the right eye.
- Two young Italian Grey Hounds appeared extremely thin.
- At least 10 animals had extensive hair matting.
- A dead Italian Grey Hound (#043111029) was discovered dead in a shelter during the inspection.
- A female Italian Grey Hound with pups had hair loss and areas that appeared slightly reddened on the front of her neck and chest.
- A Shih-tzu that had just been groomed had knotted fur on all four feet.

**3.1(a) Housing Facilities, Structure....**repeated failure to design and construct housing facilities for dogs that are structurally sound, kept in good repair, and protect animals from injury.

**3.9 Feeding....**food receptacles.....must be located so as to minimize contamination by excreta ad pest...and be of durable material that can be cleaned and sanitized or disposable.(DIRECT)

Moldy feed was identified in four dog feeders.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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